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TAGS: OVIP (FUKUDA, TAKEO)
SUBJECT: PLANNING FOR FUKUDA VISIT

REF: TOKYO 4841

1. IN COURSE OF MARCH 24 MEETING WITH VICE MINISTER
ARITA ON CIVAIR (REFTEL), AMBASSADOR WAS ASKED FOR HIS
VIEWS AS TO WHOM FUKUDA SHOULD MEET IN CONGRESS.
AMBASSADOR SUGGESTED IT WOULD BE BEST TO KEEP MEETINGS
WITH MEMBERS OF TWO HOUSES SEPARATE, AND SAID HE WOULD BE
HAPPY TO HELP SET UP JOINT MEETING OF SENATE FOREIGN
RELATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEES AND SECOND INVOLVING
HIRC AND WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEES. HE PROPOSED TO BE
IN CONTACT WITH CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP FOR THIS PURPOSE.

2. REGARDING PLANNED BREAKFAST MAY 2 WITH ECONOMIC
CABINET, AMBASSADOR QUESTIONED WHETHER SUCH LARGE MEETING
ALONE WOULD ACCOMPLISH WHAT FUKUDA WANTED, AND SUGGESTED
BREAKFAST MIGHT BE FOLLOWED BY SERIES OF BRIEF (30
MINUTE OR SO) INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS WITH AT LEAST
BLUMENTHAL AND STRAUSS, AND PERHAPS MILLER (FRB) AND
KREPS. (SCHULTZE WOULD HAVE MET WITH PRIME MINISTER IN
TOKYO APRIL 13.) MANSFIELD
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